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LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

To the Editor of the Big Stone
Gap Post:

The following synopsis of
some of the provisions of the
recent act of Congress, entitled
"An Act for making further
and more effectual provision
for the national defense and
other purposes", approved June
3, 1916, will, I believe, be of in-
terest to many of our readers:

Sec. 58. Age for enlisted
men, 18 to 45 years; for com-
missioned officers, 21 to 44
years.

Sec. 61. No state in times of
peace shall maintain troops ex-
cept as provided by this act;
but the states to have the right
to make use of the National
Guard in time of peace.

Sec. 62. The number of en-
listed men in the National
Guard for each state to be 800
for each congressman and each
senator. This would give to
Virginia 9600 enlisted men ex-
clusive of commissioned of-
ficers.

Sec. 67. Congress shall ap-
propriate annually all necessary
funds for the maintenance of
the National Guard, including
equipment, pay to officers and
men, maintenance and equip-
ment of shooting galleries, tar-
get ranges, etc., etc. Money
for armories does not seem to
be included, but indoor target
galleries are included.

Sec. 69. Time for future en-
listments, 6 years-3 years in the
active organization and the re-
maining three years in the Na-
tional Guard reserve. The re-
serve is subject to call any time
during the remaining three
years.

Sec. 70. All enlisted men
now serving under enlistment
contracts "which contain an
obligation to defend the Con-
stitution of the United States
and to obey the orders of the
President of the United States,
shall be recognized as members
of the National Guard under
the provisions of this act for
the unexpired portion of their
present enlistment contract.

When any such enlistment con-
tract does not contain such
obligation, the enlisted man
shall not be recognized as a
member of the National Guard
until he shall have signed an
enlistment contract and taken
and subscribed to the following
oath of enlistment." Here fol-
lows an oath to bear true faith
and allegiance to the United
States, serve faithfully against
all enemies, and to obey the or-
ders of the President of the
United States and the Governor
of the State, etc.

The enlistment contract of
Virginia Volunteers contains a
provision to support the Con-
stitution of the United States,
as well as the Constitution of
the State of Virginia, but it
does not contain the provision
"to obey the orders of the Pres-
ident of the United States." Fur-
thermore, the Virginia oath
only requires the soldier to
faithfully serve the State of
Virginia in case of war, etc.,

and says nothing about serving
the United States. It seems,
therefore, clear that none of the
members of the Virginia Volun-
teers will be recognized as
members of the National Guard
under the Act, unless and until
he shall have re-enlisted under
and pursuant to the Act. The
section provides, however, that
upon re-enlisting he shall be
given credit for the period he
may have served under his
previous enlistment; that is,
men who have served two
years, say, would only have to
serve actively one year more,
and then three years on the re-
serve list.

Sec. 73. Commissioned of-
ficers are likewise required to
take an oath to serve the United
States, etc.

Sec. 91. The discipline and
training of the National Guard
shall conform to the system pre-
scribed for the regular army.

Sec. 92. Each Company, etc.,
is required to drill not less than
18 times each year for a period
of not less than one and one-
half hours, and, also, to partici-
pate in encampments, etc., at
least fifteen days during each
year.

Sec. 94. Officers and men
while engaged in encampments
shall receive the same pay as
officers and men in the regular
army.

Sections 102-106 provide for
general courts-martial, special
courts-martial and summary
courts-martial as provided for
in the regular army, except that
general court-martial cannot
impose a penalty of more than
\$200.00, special courts-martial
of more than \$100.00, and sum-
mary courts-martial of more
than \$30.00, provided that the
judgement in any case may be
imposed instead of a fine,
such terms of imprisonment not
to exceed one day for each dollar
of fine authorized.

Section 109 and 110. Captains
are to receive \$500.00 per year,
first lieutenants \$240.00 and
second lieutenants \$200.00; each
enlisted man is to receive one-
fourth of the pay of enlisted
men of like rank in the regular
army; provided that he shall re-
ceive no pay at all unless he at-
tends as many as 24 drills a
year, and unless he attends as
18 drills, then he shall receive
pay only in the ratio that the
drills attended bear to 18 drills.

Sec. 111. This provides that
when Congress shall have
authorized the use of the armed
forces of the United States,
other than the regular army,
for any purpose, the President
may draft the Guard into the
service of the United States. In
such cases, officers of the guard
are to be appointed by the
President from the officers of
each organization of the Guard.

Sec. 112. Members of the
Guard will be entitled to pen-
sions the same as members of
the regular army when injured
in active service, etc.

Sec. 113. This provides for
rifle target practice, ranges,
etc., and further provides for
citizens, not members of the
guard, participating therein under
such regulations as the Sec-
retary of War may prescribe.

This feature of the act will
doubtless prove very interest-
ing to citizens generally, and
will go far toward preparedness
of civilians.

Sec. 125. This provides for
the protection of the uniform,
and prohibits any civilian from
wearing a uniform of the regu-
lar army. Under the act the
uniform of the National Guard
will be the same as that of the
regular army. The act, there-
fore, prohibits likewise any
civilian from wearing the uni-
form of the National Guard.

The act further appropriates
\$20,000,000.00 for the purpose of
providing plants, etc., for the
manufacture of nitrate and other
munitions of war. Coal
operators and the owners of

coal land in this part of the
country ought to get behind
their congressman with a view
to locating one or more such
plants in this vicinity.

J. F. BULLITT.

DOUBLE WEDDING.

Quite the most beautiful and
unique wedding of the season
in East Tenn., was solemnized
at the country home of Mrs.
Christian M. Starnes at Sur-
goinsville, Tenn., on Wednesday
when her two daughters were
united in marriage, Miss Eliza-
beth O'Neil to Mr. Irvin M. Ful-
ler, of Kingsport, Tenn., and
Miss Lena Bell to Mr. Thurman
Ador, of Newport, Tenn.

Beginning promptly at high
noon, Miss Elsie Beam sang in
her low sweet contralto voice "I
Love You Truly and A Perfect
Day, then to the strains of
Lohengrin's Wedding March
Miss Clara Headrick, brides-
maid, of St. Clair, Tenn., de-
cended to the parlor on the arm
of Mr. G. S. Child, Mr. Ador's
best man, of Knoxville, Tenn.,
followed by Miss Elizabeth
Trotman, bridesmaid, of Chat-
tanooga, Tenn., on the arm of
Mr. F. B. Clerk, Mr. Fuller's
best man, of Appalachia, Va.

Immediately following the at-
tendants were the two bridal
couples who taking their places
under the huge floral arch were
united in marriage by Dr. John
C. Orr, of Bristol, Va., the
impressive ceremony of the M.
E. Church being used.

Both brides wore identical
gowns of the sheerest French
Organdie and net trimmed with
Point d'Alecon lace and wore
long tulle veils (Mary Stewart
style) held in place by clusters
of lilies of the valley and carried
huge shower bouquets of
lilies of the valley and brides
roses.

A delicious buffet luncheon
was served in the beautifully
decorated dining room.

The two bridal parties motor-
ed to Bristol where they had
supper and took No. 42 for
Washington. They will visit
Baltimore, Philadelphia, New
York and other Eastern cities.

Both the brides are accom-
plished young ladies and are
graduates of Centenary College.
Mr. Fuller is a young busi-
ness man of sterling character,
being a member of the firm of
Fuller Brothers, a large mer-
cantile establishment at Appa-
lachia, Va., and of the Fuller
Realty Company, who are
heavy investors in Kingsport,
Tenn., real estate.

Mr. Ador is a popular young
attorney of Newport, Tenn.,
and a graduate of the University
of Tenn.

Mrs. Moore Entertains.

On Tuesday evening of last
week Mrs. B. S. Moore enter-
tained very delightfully for her
sister, Miss Mary Skeen, of Big
Stone Gap, Va. Rook was
played until a late hour when
luncheon clothes were placed
on the tables and the hostess
with the assistance of Mrs. Ed
Lyons served delightful refresh-
ments, after which Miss Minnie
Perkins and George Callison
captured the prize in the floral
contest.

Those who enjoyed Mrs.
Moore's hospitality were: Mary
Skeen, Minnie Perkins, Eliza-
beth Shelburne, Elizabeth Rak-
ston, Florence Hess, Margaret
Perkins and Mrs. Lyons. Messrs.
Harry Smith, Bob Rakston, C.
W. Bailey, George Callison,
Denham and Boyd—Madison-
boro Three States.

Robert Dabney Morrison.

The following notice of the
death of R. D. Morrison is taken
from the Weekly Bulletin of
the Provident Life and Trust
Company, John N. Mayler's
agency, under date of June
12th:

"On June 6th, a telegram brought the
sad news of the untimely death of our
Mr. R. D. Morrison, of Big Stone Gap,
Va., who was killed in an automobile ac-
cident."

He became connected with this agency
in the fall of 1907, and through his efforts
and his love for the President, he did a
large business in this territory. He was
one of the best posted men in the busi-
ness, and was looked upon as an authority
on life insurance.

He won the affection and esteem of us
all, and his loss will be greatly felt in this
Agency.

NOTICE.

You will be welcomed at the
Monte Vista Hotel where a good
Sunday dinner or supper awaits
you. Special attention paid
automobile parties.

H. M. Henkel, Mgr.

Mrs. Alexander Entertains.

Mrs. H. A. Alexander enter-
tained very delightfully at her
home at Imboden Saturday af-
ternoon complimentary to Mrs.
Wade Barrier, of this place.

Hearts were played at three
tables. Mrs. Ralph Taggart
won the prize for making the
highest score, a pearl ribbon
pin, and Mrs. Wade Barrier
was awarded the guest prize, a
Japanese rose vase.

A delicious two-course lunch-
eon was served at the conclu-
sion of the games.

Those who enjoyed Mrs. Alex-
ander's hospitality on this oc-
casion were Mrs. Wade Barrier,
Mrs. Ralph Taggart, Mrs. J. L.
McCormick, Mrs. D. B. Sayers,
Mrs. W. G. Painter, Mrs. G. B.
Southward, Mrs. C. C. Cochran,
Mrs. W. H. Robertson, Mrs.
Henson, of Imboden, and Mrs.
Hill, of Inman.

Fulcher-Rogers.

Sunday morning at the Bap-
tist parsonage, at eight o'clock,
Miss Rebecca Rogers, of In-
man, became the bride of Mr.
B. L. Fulcher, of Inman, who
has a position with the Virginia
Iron, Coal and Coke Company
there. Rev. J. B. Craft was the
officiating minister.

They were accompanied down
from Inman by the bride's fa-
ther and sister, S. R. Rogers
and Miss Nettie Rogers, E. D.
Rogers and Miss Bess Willis,
James Carmack and Miss
Maude Willis, and Supt. W. H.
Huffman.

The happy couple left on the
V & S. W. immediately after
the ceremony for Roanoke,
where they will spend several
days with friends, after which
they will make their future
home at Inman.

Dinner Party.

Mrs. L. O. Pettit entertained
very delightfully Thursday
evening with a six-course
dinner Mrs. Wade Barrier, Mrs.
P. L. Cobb, of Knoxville, Mr.
and Mrs. Horace Fox, Mr. and
Mrs. Kyle Morrison and guests,
Mrs. Pollock and Miss Lorna
Doane Carr, of Fort Worth,
Texas, and Mr. Harry J. Ayers.

BASE BALL TODAY.

The first game of the Virginia
Coal Field League to be played
on the home grounds will be
played today between Big Stone
Gap and Keokee. The Gap's
new pitcher, Wright, will be
seen on the firing line today and
a good game is expected. Norton
is scheduled to play here
Saturday.

Everybody come.

The congregation at Turkey
Cove cordially invites every-
one to be present on next Sun-
day at the Seminary when
after services Rev. J. B. Craft,
of the Gap, will baptize at the
pond near Marion Slomp's home
Mrs. Chas. Rivers, Misses Nora
Yonell, Clara Slomp, Abbie
Clarkston Alpha Slomp, Mrs.
Leonidas Collier and Messrs.
Hagan Ely, Irvine Slomp and
Paul Ely.

Change in Local Furniture Store.

An important change took
place during the past few days
when the Blaisdell-Passons
Furniture company was suc-
ceeded by the Passons Barrier
company, Mr. Blaisdell retiring
from the company.

Incorporation papers will be
filed and a charter is expected
within the next few days.

Mr. Barrier has traveled this
territory for several years
and is well known to the
business men of Johnson
City. He will not move his
family here before August 1st.
For several years he has been
the successful representative
on the road of the McCasky
Register company. He has in-
vested in the furniture company
and will in the future devote
his entire time and energy to
making it a success.

Johnson City is fortunate in
attracting the services of Mr.
Barrier and his estimable fam-
ily. He possesses those forward-
going qualities that make splen-
did cities.

When the organization is fully
completed several other
prominent men will be found in-
terested in the new company.

There will be no change in
the employees at the store. Mr.
E. L. Onila will continue in
charge of the undertaking and
embalming department.—John-
son City Staff.

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can for what we
get—instead of
getting all we
can for what we
give.

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to 15% heavier than the average,
the exact percentage depending on
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have solved our roof
problem.
We are through with
leaks and repairs and
our house is improved
in appearance.

THE STORMPROOF ROOF

For Sale by
JOSHUA & JOHN F. MULLINS, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Rev. J. B. Craft tells us that
he has reconsidered his resigna-
tion as pastor of the Baptist
church at this place and will re-
main in the Gap.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hauck
and little daughter, Aline, ar-
rived Saturday night from An-
derson, Ind., and will spend a
month in the Gap the guests of
Mrs. Hauck's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Josh Beaman. Mrs. Hauck,
it will be remembered, was
formerly Miss Chloe Beaman, of
this place.

The demonstration of the
Globe Electric Range at the of-
fice of the Electric Transmission
Company the past week was well
attended and exceedingly in-
teresting and satisfying. "Aunt
Emma" Morrison cooked and
served with her customary skill
most delicious rolls, biscuits and
muffins, as well as broiled and
roasted meats. We understand
that a number of housekeepers
have since decided that life was
not worth living without elec-
tricity in the kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Etter and
baby, Marion, of Philadelphia,
spent a few days in town this
week, guests at the Monte Vista.

Miss Jule Bullitt returned
Saturday from West Point, N.
Y., where she attended the
finals of the Academy.

Henry Lane spent Sunday
with his parents in Rye Cove.

Hon. C. B. Slomp, Misses
Margaret Barron and Elizabeth
Sprinkle spent Sunday in the
Cove with relatives.

D. E. Allen had the misfor-
tune to break a small bone in
his leg below the knee while
playing baseball Tuesday after-
noon.

The Civic League wishes to
call the attention of property
owners to the fact that Mr.
Compton is not supposed to
haul off any rubbish that can
be burned on the premises, like
wastepaper, rags, etc., and the
Civic League cans must not be
filled up with wastepaper from
the offices along the street. It
is only rubbish which cannot
be disposed of on the premises
that he is to haul off.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mun-
roe Beck, of Roanoke, Va., are
guests at the Monte Vista. Mr.
Beck is traveling representa-
tive of McCormack & Company,
of Baltimore, Md., with head-
quarters in Roanoke. The
Lynchburg News of June 18th
has an account of the marriage
of this popular young couple
which was solemnized in that
city on Saturday at the home of
the bride's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Chas. P. Shaner, of Mad-
ison Heights. Rev. T. J. C.
Heath, pastor of the Madison
Heights Methodist Church, of-
ficiating.